

The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

Dear Sirs:

I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable. I bought a Tracphone so I would not have a lengthy contract or any hidden fees with a regular cell phone. I paid taxes on my minutes when I bought them. I bought the thing for use in emergency situations and for important things that can't wait until I get to a landline.

I am a low volume user. Why should I be further taxed? Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee. I am not unreasonable. If you must impose a tax, choose a variable rate based on usage. Those of us who are struggling to make ends meet cannot afford to pay as much as multi-million dollar companies can. Let each party pay a fair share! Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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